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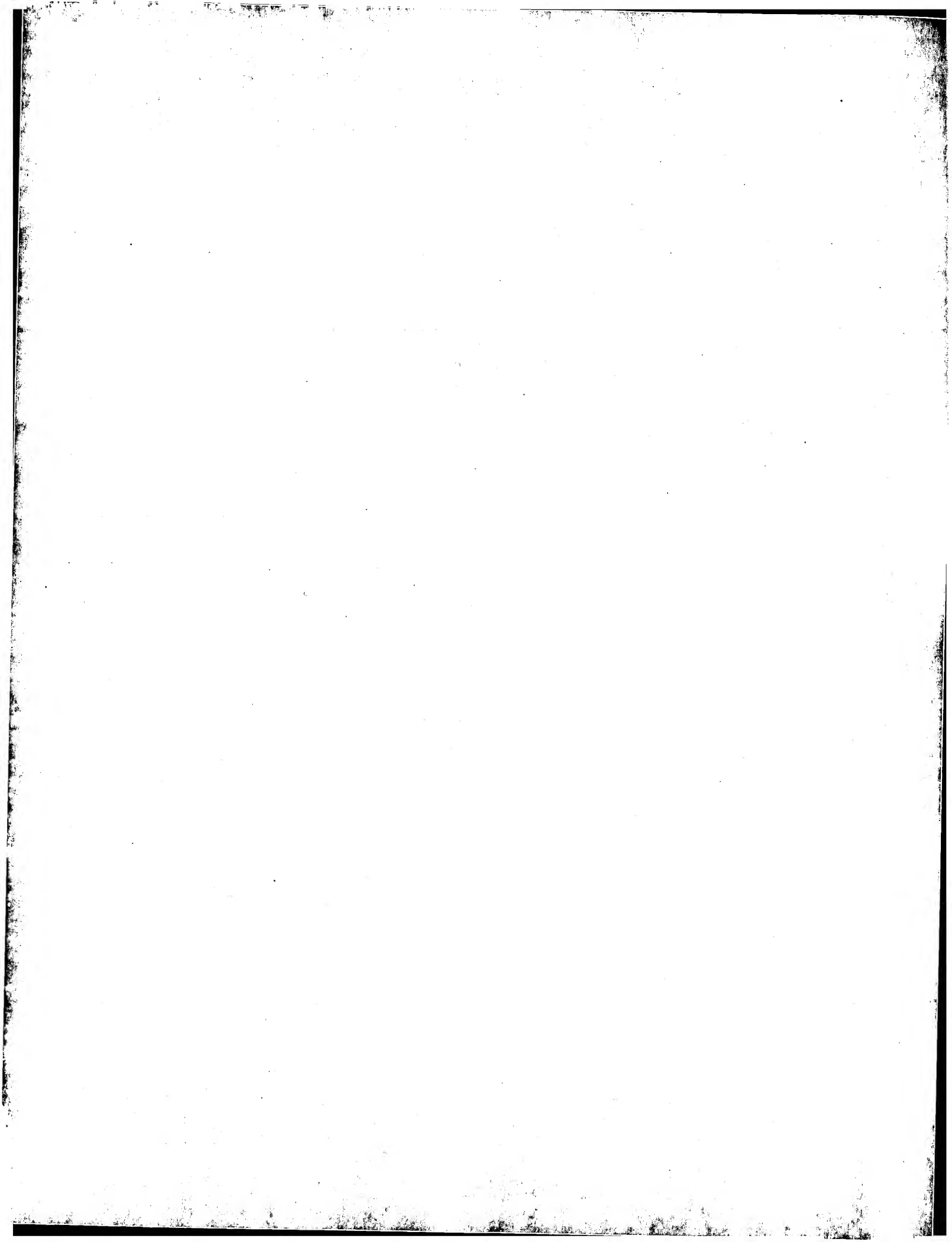
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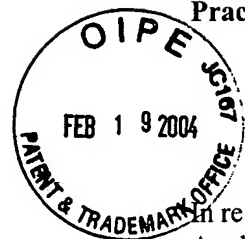
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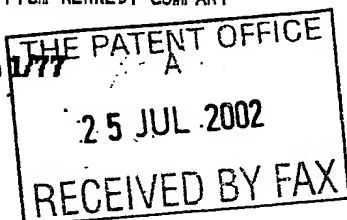
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1 Psoriasis Formulation and Method of Preparation

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3 This invention relates to formulations which can be used
4 in the treatment of dermatological disorders, such as
5 psoriasis. The current invention also relates to a
6 method of preparation that is more acceptable for use
7 than many current treatments.

8

9 The term dermatological disorders covers a wide range of
10 disorders, such as psoriasis and eczema. These disorders
11 affect a large number of people. Psoriasis is a chronic
12 recurring skin disease, the scope of which can vary
13 considerably from mild outbreaks, to severe cases.

14

15 The underlying problem of psoriasis is currently thought
16 to be that new skin cells are produced too quickly, so
17 that the old skin cells have not had time to die off and
18 be removed. The resulting overproduction of skin cells
19 is red and raised patches on the skin.

20

21 Various treatments have been suggested for psoriasis. In
22 particular, many sufferers find that coal tar has a
23 particularly beneficial effect and improves many of the

1 symptoms of psoriasis. Unfortunately, although coal tar
2 has been found to be effective against the symptoms of
3 psoriasis in many patients, as a substance coal tar is
4 not the most user friendly. Coal tar has a very pungent
5 smell and has a black colour which stains both clothing
6 and bed linen. This can be very off-putting for many
7 psoriasis sufferers and is generally inconvenient for
8 regular use.

9

10 It can therefore be seen that it would be beneficial to
11 provide a psoriasis treatment which contains coal tar,
12 but which is formulated in a manner which is appropriate
13 for regular use.

14

15 It is an object of the present invention to provide a
16 psoriasis treatment which comprises coal tar.

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18 A further object of the present invention is to provide a
19 psoriasis treatment in a formulation which does not stain
20 clothes and is not unpleasant smelling.

21

22 A yet further object of the present invention is to
23 provide a psoriasis treatment in a formulation that can
24 be easily applied.

25

26 According to a first aspect of the present invention,
27 there is provided a method of preparing a psoriasis
28 formulation comprising coal tar and zinc pyrithione,
29 wherein the coal tar is filtered to remove impurities by
30 filter compression.

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32 Preferably the coal tar is filtered by being fed through
33 a compressed charcoal filter.

1
2 Most preferably the coal tar is fed through the filter at
3 17 to 19 psi.
4
5 Most preferably the coal tar is fed through the filter at
6 18 psi..
7
8 Preferably compressed air is used to force the coal tar
9 through the filter.
10
11 Preferably the coal tar is left in the filter system for
12 8 hours.
13
14 Preferably the filtered fluid is boiled.
15
16 Most preferably the filtered fluid is boiled for 5
17 minutes.
18
19 Preferably the boiled, filtered fluid is allowed to cool
20 to room temperature.
21
22 Most preferably the top layer of the boiled, filtered
23 fluid is refiltered.
24
25 Optionally, refiltering is through a nylon mesh.
26
27 Preferably a surfactant is added to the formulation.
28
29 Preferably the surfactant is an ionic surfactant.
30
31 Most preferably the surfactant is sodium lauryl sulphate.
32
33 Preferably a carrier is added to the formulation.

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2 Most preferably multiple carriers are added to the
3 formulation.

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5 Optionally a carrier may be isopropyl myristate.

6

7 A further option is that a carrier may be ethyl alcohol.

8

9 Preferably the psoriasis formulation is placed in a spray
10 or aerosol container.

11

12 According to a second aspect of the present invention,
13 there is provided a composition for the treatment of
14 dermatological disorders, comprising:

15

- 16 (a) coal tar;
- 17 (b) zinc pyrithione;
- 18 (c) one or more surfactants; and
- 19 (d) one or more carriers

20

21 Preferably the psoriasis formulation also contains
22 allantoin.

23

24 Preferably the surfactant is an ionic surfactant.

25

26 Most preferably the surfactant is sodium lauryl sulphate.

27

28 Optionally a carrier may be isopropyl myristate.

29

30 A further option is that a carrier may be ethyl alcohol.

31

32 Preferably the psoriasis formulation will also comprise
33 an anti-fungal agent.

1
2 Preferably the anti-fungal agent is undecylenic acid.
3
4 Preferably the psoriasis treatment formulation comprises
5 the following ingredients:

6
7 zinc pyrithione;
8 alcoholic extract of coal tar;
9 allantoin;
10 sodium lauryl sulphate;
11 isopropyl myristate;
12 ethyl alcohol; and
13 undecylenic acid

14
15 Preferably the psoriasis formulation comprises the
16 following ingredients in the following amounts:

17		
18	zinc pyrithione	0.20%
19	alcoholic extract of coal tar	0.25%
20	allantoin	0.25%
21	sodium lauryl sulphate	0.10%
22	isopropyl myristate	49.45%
23	ethyl alcohol	49.45%
24	undecylenic acid	0.30%

25
26 Preferably the psoriasis formulation is provided in a
27 spray form.

28
29 Alternatively, the psoriasis formulation is provided in
30 an aerosol form.

31

1 In order to provide a better understanding of the present
2 invention, embodiments will now be described by way of
3 example only, and with reference to the following Figure:

4
5 Figure 1 shows a charcoal filter system for use according
6 to the first aspect of the present invention.

7
8 Coal tar, when untreated, has a very pungent smell and is
9 black in colour. The black colouring will stain clothing
10 and bed linen on contact.

11
12 In order to produce an acceptable formulation for use in
13 treating psoriasis or other dermatological disorders,
14 coal tar is filtered in order to eradicate the smell and
15 remove many of the impurities which result in staining.

16
17 In the preferred embodiment, crude coal tar is mixed with
18 2%sd alcohol (which acts as a thinner and is poured into
19 a charcoal filter system 1 via the coal tar input 2.
20 Clean, compressed air is then applied via the air input 3
21 at 18 psi (which can be varied between 17 to 19 psi).

22
23 The charcoal filter system 1 comprises a fine mesh gauze
24 filter 4 and a charcoal filter 5 which the coal tar
25 mixture is pushed through into the catch tank 6. It is
26 worth noting that too much pressure forces charcoal
27 through the system and too little does not push the coal
28 tar mixture through.

29
30 The system 1 is left in place overnight with the
31 compressed air still in place. In the preferred
32 embodiment, the system is left for approximately 8 hours.
33 The filtered fluid is then taken from the catch tank 6

1 via the exit flow tap 7 and is boiled (in the preferred
2 embodiment it is boiled for 5 minutes) and left to
3 completely cool to room temperature. The fluid now has a
4 scum on top which is filtered through a nylon mesh to
5 give a clear, completely odourless liquid which does not
6 stain materials.

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8 A surfactant and a carrier is then added to make the
9 formulation completely soluble. In the preferred
10 embodiment, the surfactant is an ionic surfactant, sodium
11 lauryl sulphate. Multiple carriers are used, and in the
12 preferred embodiment, these are isopropyl myristate and
13 ethyl alcohol. Zinc pyrithione is also added to the
14 formulation, which increases the effectiveness of the
15 formulation to a previously unexpected degree. Allantoin
16 is also added to the formulation.

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18 In the preferred embodiment, an anti-fungal agent is also
19 added to the formulation. This anti-fungal agent is
20 undecylenic acid in the preferred embodiment.

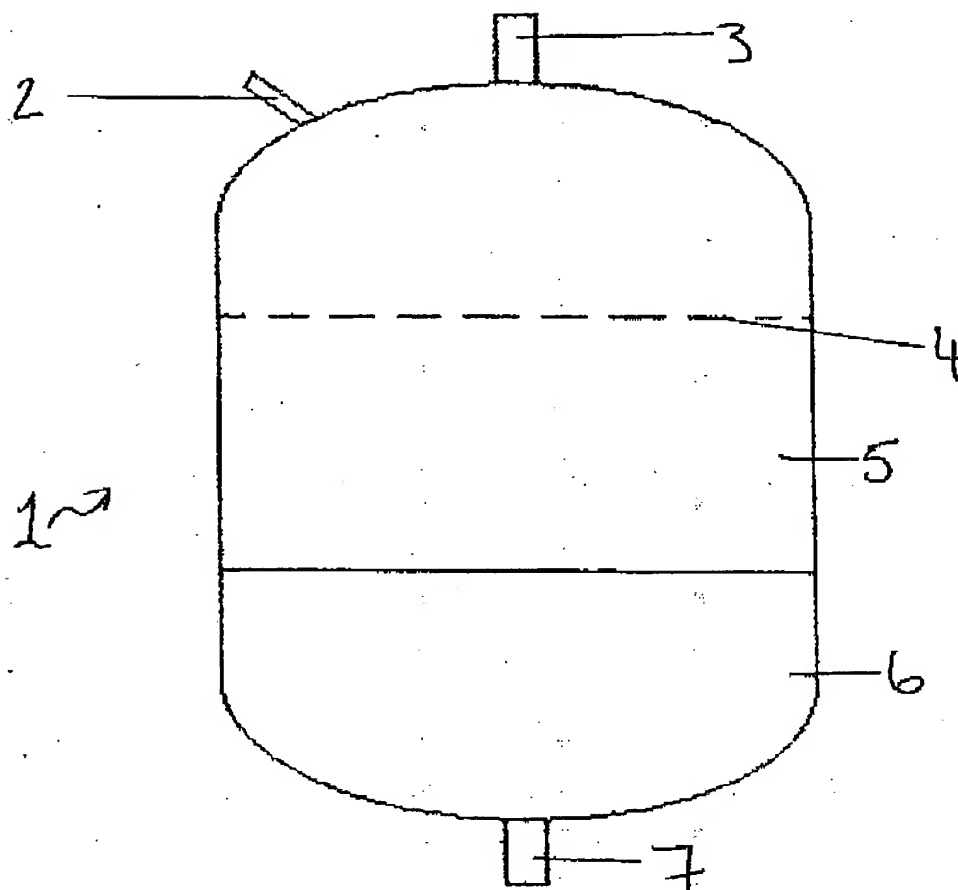
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